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SUBJECT: GHANA: DEMARCHE ON GOLDSTONE REPORT

REF: A. WILLS E-MAIL (9/30/09)
[1](#)B. STATE 98567

Classified By: Charge d'Affaires Julie Furuta-Toy for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (SBU) POL Chief delivered ref A points October 1 to the MFA's acting Chief Director Ambassador Kodjo Wadee, stressing the USG's desire to obtain a balanced resolution on the Goldstone Report and our opposition to a resolution that contains a blanket endorsement of the report, recommends that the ICC take up the matter, and maintains a one-sided focus on Israel.

[1](#)2. (C) Ambassador Wadee said he would bring our message and request for support immediately to the Deputy Minister for consideration. While noncommittal regarding Ghanaian support ahead of the October 2 planned vote, Wadee said Ghana agrees with the need to avoid a polarized atmosphere within the Human Rights Council, and expressed support for the Obama Administration's effort to revive the Middle East Peace Process and move toward a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Wadee noted Ghana's good relationship with Israel, including the recent visit by Israel's Foreign Minister, and said that the Arab states had to take a hard line because of "extremist pressure" in their own countries.
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